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Letter From Texas.

ABILENE, TEX., April 3.—Ed.
PRESS: If you will allow me space in
your most valuable paper, I will give
your readers a description of our
Western home, which is on a large
ranch ten miles east of Abilene.

The climate is very pleasant, espe-
cially in the summer, as there is al-
ways a cool breeze.

The inhabitants of the prairie are
wolves, prairie dogs, Mexicans and
various other animals that I haven't
seen yet.

The chief timber is mesquite,
which is small and very crooked, but
is fine for fuel. There grows upon
it a bean that cattle are very fond of
and which is very wholesome and nu-
tritious.

The soil is of several varieties, all
productive and stand a drought well.
The land around here sells for from
\$20 to \$150 per acre, but a few miles
west of Abilene is the black waxy
land, which can be bought for \$1.50
to \$10 per acre and is said to be fine
for producing grain.

The principal crops are cotton,
oats, wheat, sorghum, rye, and milo
maize. Cotton yields from one-half
to two-thirds bale per acre; milo
maize from 50 to 100 bushels; wheat
from 15 to 50 bushels; oats from 50
to 100 bushels per acre.

On our road to Abilene we pass
the "epileptic colony" which over-
looks Lytle Lake, and consists of
eight magnificent buildings erected by
the State.

Abilene, in the center of a fine
agricultural country, is a beautiful
little city of six thousand inhabi-
tants. The city schools are conducted
in three fine brick buildings, de-
signed as North, Central and South
Wards. Simmons College is in the
northern part of town and another
College is being erected for the ben-
efit of the Methodists. There are
twelve churches, three or four hotels,
three banks, almost one hundred
stores, two skating rinks (which af-
ford many accidents), electric lights,
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Obituary.

Little Elsie, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Press Belt, was born March 23,
1893, and died April 1, 1906.

Elsie, with her beautiful, smiling
face and cheerful heart, was one of
the loveliest girls I ever saw.

Elsie was a beautiful rose to glad-
den not only the home of father and
mother, but to cheer all who were in
trouble with her cheerful spirit.

While the heart bows in submission
to the will of the Master, yet a lit-
tle daughter's love shall be remem-
bered and cherished for years to come.

'Tis hard to part with such a beau-
tiful bud, just as it begins to open
its beauty and sweetness before us,
but God, who gave the sweet spirit,
has a far more beautiful home for her
than the wealth of this world can give.

Dear parents, your home is now
lonely we know, but Elsie stands on
the Heavenly shore with beckoning
hand. Elsie is still your child, and
only awaits your coming. Only a lit-
tle while and in that world on high
where the parting tear is wiped
shed and parting farewell never qui-
vers upon the lips, you will meet the
loved one again.

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JIM HOWARD

Landed Behind the Bars in the Peniten-
tiary at Frankfort.

Louisville, April 3.—James How-
ard was taken from the Louisville
Jail to the Frankfort penitentiary
this morning to serve a life sentence.

He was convicted of the murder of
William Gobel in the Franklin cir-
cuit court. He has been in jail six
years and has carried his case thro-
ugh the supreme court, an adverse deci-
sion from which recently took away
his last hope.

Sheriff R. C. Hieatt, of Franklin
county came to take Howard to the
Pen. There was a steady stream of
callers at the jail yesterday afternoon
and last night, and Howard was up
until midnight receiving these call-
ers.

Besides those who came in person
there were countless messages. The
jail officials permitted Howard to use
the jail offices a part of the time in
receiving.

Mrs. Howard accompanied her hus-
band to Frankfort and will remain at
that place some time. She is unlag-
ging in her efforts in his behalf and
her brave devotion to him has won
her the deepest sympathy.

Howard said goodbye this morning
to all his friends among the jail offi-
cials and thanked them for the kind-
ness they had shown him. Shortly
after 8 o'clock he entered a carriage
with sheriff Hieatt and Mrs. How-
ard and was driven to the Seventh
street depot, where they took the 8-
30 train.

Howard wore handcuffs. Sheriff
Hieatt told him he was sorry to place
them on him but he felt his duty re-
quired him to do so. Howard an-
swered that he appreciated the sher-
iff's position and would make no ob-
jection whatever.

SEVEN SPRINGS.

Mrs. L. Patton, wife and baby at-
tended church at Emmaus Sunday
and visited Mrs. Fanny Travis and
daughters.

The month of April has come in
very pretty.

Tom Wring, the hustling sewing
machine agent of Marion, was a pleas-
ant visitor at the home of Mrs. L.
Patton Friday night.

Married, at the residence of Mr.
John Falk, near Emmaus, Sunday,
evening, Esq. Tom Campbell to Miss
Sarah Pace, Rev. J. W. Oliver, of
Kuttawa, officiating. After the cere-
mony the groom and bride returned
to the home of the groom where a
sumptuous repast awaited them.

Sunday School at this place every
Sunday evening at 3 o'clock; all are
invited.

Bob Stubblefield, of the Ritchie
mines, is in this section logging this
week.

Burnie Patton, of this place, was
the guest of Edgie Brasher, of the
Caldwell Springs last Saturday

night.

Applicants are coming in for the
fall term of school at this place.

There has been some plowing done
in this section.

This community attended the
Campbell and Pace nuptials Sun-
day evening.

Willis Mount Convicted.

Seventeen years in the Eddyville
penitentiary was the verdict given in
the Willis Mount murder case Satur-
day afternoon. The jury got the
case Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock,
and as it had been hung until the
hour of the verdict, it was rumored
that they were hopelessly at odds.
It was learned that the vote ranged
from 5 to 21 years.

At a former trial Mount was given
21 years.

He shot and killed Ed Nutty a few
years ago in a gambling room over
the Stag saloon on South Fourth st.

It is understood that Mount wants
a new trial. He has been in jail about
three years. -Paducah News Demo-
crat.

Plans of the Spelling Reformers



ANDREW CAR-
NEGIE.

NOW that An-
drew Carnegie
has come to
the aid of the advo-
cates of a spelling re-
form that movement
has taken on new
life. If the ideas of
these reformers be-
come generally
adopted the old
fashioned spelling
bee will be more out of date than ever
and it will be no trick at all to be a
good speller. At the spelling bees the
persons who remained in line after
comparing such orthographical mon-
strosities as "phthisis," "psychical,"
"mnemonics" and "phlegm" were ac-
counted the smartest ones in the room,
but when the philologists have arranged
the language so that words are
spelled just as they sound the good
spellers will have nothing in particular
to plan themselves upon. That time
is still a good way off, so say the spell-
ing reformers with whom Mr. Carnegie
is co-operating, but they propose to go
forward with a plan for what they
term simplified spelling, and Mr. Car-
negie will contribute \$15,000 a year, or
more if desired, to pay the expenses of
such an educational campaign.

It has long been a belief of Mr. Car-
negie that the English language is
destined to become the language of the
world and that its adoption as such
will have a great influence toward
international peace. The chief obsta-
cle to the speedy attainment of this
result is the contradictory, difficult and
often arbitrary system of spelling
which has come into existence in conse-
quence of the peculiar circumstances
under which the language was formed.
Spelling reform even in America is no
new thing. In this country it dates
back at least to the time of Benjamin
Franklin and Noah Webster. In recent
years the philological associations of
both England and America have come
to an agreement as to certain general
rules for the simplification of spelling.
The strength of the movement is now
seen in the character of the member-
ship of the body called the simplified
spelling board, organized to carry for-
ward the work from the headquarters
in New York. In this body are the
principal editors of the Century and
Standard dictionaries, Dr. William T.
Harris, United States commissioner of



Dr. WILLIAM T. HARRIS,
education and editor of Webster's In-
ternational Dictionary; Richard Watson
Gilder, editor of the Century Magazine;
Dr. William Hayes Ward, editor of the
Independent; President Nicholas Mur-
ray Butler of Columbia university,
President David Starr Jordan of Le-
land Stanford university, Chancellor
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It is the purpose of the reform spell-
ers to follow closely certain spellings
proposed by the National Educational
association, such as "altho" for "al-
though," "thru" for "through," "pro-
gram" for "programme," "thoroly" for
"thoroughly," etc. They will aim to
proceed conservatively and seek to
simplify by elimination of unnecessary
letters rather than by radical change.
This, it is urged, will be in accordance
with what has been going on for sev-
eral hundred years, as any one may see
by perusal of old books. We no longer
spell "mouse" with a "k," and the
same letter has been dropped from the
formation of "atmance" and several
other words in which it was wont to
appear. In this country the "u" is
now commonly left out of "color,"
"savior," "favor" and many similar
words, though it is but a short time
since they were spelled with this let-
ter, and in England that is still the
usage. In this country "aesthetic" is
now much used in preference to "aes-
thetic," and it is the aim of the re-
formers to substitute simple vowels
generally for the more inconvenient
form of the diphthong. S-bolers and
literary men are not agreed, however,
as to the desirability of introducing
these changes in the language. Some
very dissonant notes are heard in
England when the proposition is men-
tioned. Alington Charles Swinburne
denies the idea "a monstrous, bar-
barous absurdity."

An Animal Story For
Little Folks

Cousin Rabbit Trapped

"Hello, Cousin Squirrel!" cried Mr.
Rabbit. "How are you?"
"I am very well, I thank you," re-
plied Mr. Squirrel. "How are you,
Cousin Rabbit?"
"Fine! Fine!" answered Mr. Rabbit.
"You always do look well, cousin,"
said Mr. Squirrel.
"Yes, and I always feel well, and
you know, too, if you lived as I do."
"And how do you live?" asked the
squirrel.
"Why, I live on the best of every-
thing. While you are hunting around
for hard-shelled nuts to crack and pick
I am feasting on the finest vegetables
that grow—cabbage and carrots and
beets and celery and tomatoes and
corn and peas, and fruit too. Think of
it, my apples and pears and grapes!
Doesn't it make your mouth water?"
"I believe I would rather have the
nuts," said the squirrel.
"Oh, my, that's just like you!" re-
plied Mr. Rabbit. "Now, why don't



"Hello, Cousin Squirrel!"
you try a change of food? Come with
me, and I will show you how to eat
and what to eat to enjoy life."
"Just as I expected! Some man has
put a big bunch of lettuce in this box
for safe keeping. He didn't think I
would find it. Look in there, Cousin
Squirrel, and you will be able to see
it."
"Sure enough, there it is!" exclaimed
the squirrel as he looked in.
"Now, I am going to let you have it

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